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In re Application of:)
Mark John RICHES) Group Art Unit: 2878
Application No.: 09/701,559) Examiner: T. Luu
Filed: February 5, 2001)
For: IMAGING ARRANGEMENT AND)
METHOD FOR HIGH-SPEED)
IMAGING)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Final Office Action dated May 21, 2003, the period for response having been extended for one month by a petition for extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants submit this Amendment together with a Request for Continued Examination, amending the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheet.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figure 5, previously submitted on April 14, 2003, and approved by the Examiner in the present Office Action. See O.A. p. 2..

Attachments: One (1) Replacement Sheet- Figures 4 and 5.

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**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See "Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice," Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000). Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment.

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees

a. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

i. \$770.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 01 FC:1801 770.00 0P

ii. Petition for extension of time for two Months \$420.00

iii. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$1,190.00 enclosed.

c. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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